

þ was foundid of þe apostles on  
crist þe soun / disposid þey þe so  
ne / þe hooly gost to shew þe  
þe me dæde þe in þe lasse / & al þe  
trinite shewid it cõt in þis mæ  
hod: & cõt to john by an angel.  
& john to hooly churche. of which  
revelacioun john made þis book.  
wherfore þis book is seid apoca  
lips: þ is to seye revelacioun for  
het it is conteyned þat god shewid  
to john: & ioon to hooly chur  
che / how grete þis hooly chur  
che sufferid in þe firste tyme: &  
now suffer & shal suffer in þe  
laste tymes of auncit / which tri  
bulacioun shal be so greet: þ if it  
mouke be. þei þer chosun. be mo  
uyd / and which meedis shal sh  
al releyue for þes tribulaciouns.  
now & tyme to come: þ meedis  
þat þei bihoote maken þe glad  
whom þe tribulaciouns þat þei  
teeld makyn aferd / þore þis bo  
ok amog oþere scripturis of þe  
newe testamēt: is depid bi þe  
name of pferie: & it is more ex  
cellent þan pferie: for as þe ne  
we testamēt is worþier þa þe  
olde: & þe gospel þa þe lawe / so þis  
pferie passip þe pferies of þe  
olde testamēt: for it shewip sa  
cramētis þer þei now aparty ful  
fillid of cõt & of hooly churche / or  
ellis for to oþe is oon man pferie  
cie: but to þis is þe man pferie  
zoue to gidre: þ is of þat þ is  
passid: & of þat þ is present: &  
of þat þ is to come: & to cōfer  
me þe autorite of it. þ comey  
þe autorite of hi þ sendip: & of  
hi þ berip: & of hi þ releyue  
þe þat sendip is þe tyme: þe þ

berip þe angel. þe þerleyue þe  
but which þes þis be shewid  
to john i vision: & þer þen þe  
dis of vision: it is to seyn / vñ  
which þynke þis be conteyned for  
þu vision is bodily: as which we  
seyn oon þis þe bodily þen  
þu is spiritual or / imaginari.  
as which we seyn slepige or wa  
fige. we bihold þe ymagis of þi  
gis by which þe oon þis is sig  
nified: as farao slepige oon þe  
ris of cozi: & moyses wafige þi  
þe bystly þene / anoth vision is  
of vñdirstondig: as which þe  
revelacioun of þe hooly gost: þe  
vñdirstondig of þe tyme: we cōfer  
uen þe trewe of mysteries / as  
john saiz þe þis: þer conteyn  
ned in þis book for not onli þe  
saiz in spirit þe figuris: but also  
þe vñdirstood in þe tyme: þe þis  
þer sigñified bi þe john þe  
þe wort in þe yle of pathmos.  
which he was exild of domician  
þe moost wicked þnce: & auncle  
cōpellid hi to þe tyme: for while he  
was holdun in onlankre of domi  
cian in þe yle of pathmos: i þe  
churche þe he hadde goimed þe  
were þe þe man / vices & di  
uerse eresies / for þe were gime  
eretis þe þat seiden: þ crist  
was not tofore marie: for as mo  
che as he was in tyme þe of  
þe: which eretis john in þe  
bigynnyng of hi gospel. vñd  
irney & seip: in þe bigynnyng was  
þe sone: & in þis book which he  
seip: i am alpha & oo: þ is þe bi  
gynnyng & þe ende: & tyme also sei  
den þe hooly churche which ende  
tofore þe ende of þe world for

charge of tribulaciouns: & þe shul  
de not vñdirstonge for her tra  
neyl: enlastige meede: þ fore  
withge to distre þe erroines  
of þe: wherþe þ crist was bi  
gynnyng & ende: wherfore þe  
þe tofore me was no god four  
med: & after me þ shal not be: &  
þ hooly churche þe extercise of  
tribulaciouns: shal not be endid  
but shal pofteen: & for þe re  
leyue an enlastige meede: john  
writip to þe seuen churche of aspe:  
& to her seuen bihopis of þe forlond  
þis / ensonyng & techige bi þe al  
þe genal hooly churche: & so þe mat  
of john i vis wret is: specially of þe  
churche of aspe: & also of al hooly chur  
che which shal suffer i þis þ  
sent tyme & which shal vñdirst  
fonge i tyme to come: & his entet  
is to shew to þe patience: which is to be  
kept: for þe tyme is short: & þe  
meede greet: þe man of his tyme  
is lich: first he sette biþre a prolog  
& a saluacioun: wher he makyn þe  
retris benygne: & talke wel tent: &  
which he þe lett it to fore: he comey  
to þe tellig: but tofore þe tellig he  
shew: þ cõt is eue wote bigynnyng  
& wpointe ende: & her lize hi þe  
i am alpha & oo: bigynnyng & ende: & al  
ard he comey to hi tellig: & departip  
it into seuen visionis: & which þe be  
edid: þe book is edid: he lettip tofore þe  
plog: & seip: þe apocalyps of ihu cõt vñ  
dirstode þe þis is as it is i oþ: þe vision  
of þe: & also þe pablis of salomon:  
**Jerom this plog on þis apocalyps**  
**seip al þis: C. p.**  
**A**pocalyps of ihu cõt. wh  
ich god ȝaf to hi to ma  
ke opyn to his seruati

tis: which þis it biþone to be  
maad soone: & sigñified sendige  
bi his angel to his seruati john  
which bar witnessig to þe word  
of god: & witnessig of ihu cõt in  
þes þis which eney þis he saiz  
which is he þe redip: & he þe heerip  
þe words of þis pferie: & þe þe  
þis þe ben writun: & for þe tyme  
is vñ: john to seuen churche þe  
ben in aspe: grace & þe to ȝou  
of hi þ is: & þat was: & þ is to com  
ge: & of þe seuen spiritis: þe be  
in þe list of his trone: & of ihu cõt.  
þ is a feyful witness: þe firt bi  
geti of deed men: & þe of figis  
of þe erpe: which louete us & wa  
shide us fro our synes i his blood:  
& made us a kigdom & þe to  
god & to his fadir: to hi be gloze  
& empire: unto worldis of worl  
dis amē. **A**lo he comey wip clow  
dis: & ech þe shal be hi: & þe þat  
þe þe hi: & alle þe þe þe of  
þe erpe: which biþe þe hem sile  
on hi: & he amē. **A** am alpha & oo.  
þe bigynnyng & þe ende seip þe lord  
god: þ is & þ was: & þ is to com  
ge almyty. **A** john ȝou þe þe  
& partener i tribulacioun & kigdo  
& patience i cõt ihu. was in an yle  
þ is depid pathmos: for þe word  
of god: & for þe witnessig of ihu.  
þ was in spirit in þe lordis day: &  
þe biþe me a greet vois  
as of a tripe seynge to me: write  
þon in a book þat þe þe þe  
& seide to þe seuen churche þe þe  
mahe: to efesus: to smyrna: to  
pgam: & to iatya: & to sardis:  
& to philadelfia: & to laodicia: and  
þe turnede þe: & shide se þe vois  
spak wip me: & þe & þe